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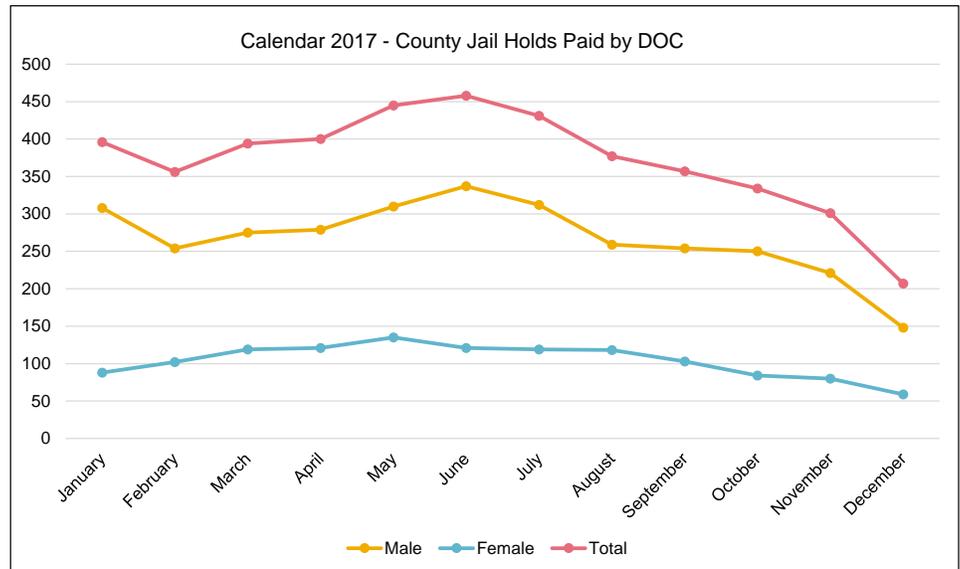
To: Legislative Finance Committee

From: Scot Conrady – Fiscal Analyst Section D

Regarding: County Jail Holds

The 2017 Legislature directed in HB 2 the Department of Corrections (DOC) pay no more than \$69 per day to house inmates in county jails. The DOC contracts with 37 counties for jail holds and reimburses their costs for housing offenders that have been sentenced to DOC and are waiting on transport to prison or other facility placement.

The legislature provided \$1.0 million per year to the DOC contingent upon achievement of several benchmarks, including reducing the number of county jail holds below 250 as of January 1, 2018. The department accomplished this goal, however must maintain this benchmark for the rest of FY 2018 and FY 2019.



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